

BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 17, 2022

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. in the District Board Room. President, Robin LaBuwi called the meeting to order.

Mark Dyel opened in prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Robin LaBuwi, President; Marci Glover, Vice-President; Mitch Bennett, Secretary; Robby Cockrum, Mark Dyel and Kenny Irvin. Board member absent: Shane Cockrum.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Wade Thomas, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

4.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel

Executive Session – Kenny Irvin made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of Personnel. Mark Dyel seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Wade Thomas, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:02 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 6:22 P.M. Mitch Bennett, Secretary called the roll. Answering present: Robby Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes and Mitch Bennett – yes. Board member absent: Shane Cockrum.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Wade Thomas, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Karen Conner, Faculty Member; and Student Council Representative.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Approve Minutes: **Regular Board Meeting Minutes, January 20, 2022**
 Executive Board Meeting Minutes, January 20, 2022

5.2 Approve Financial Report (January 2022)

5.3 Approve Payment of Bills (January 2022)

5.4 Review/Approve District Seniority List

5.5 1st Reading Board Policy 6:60 Update from Press Pluss Issue 108

Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Robby Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Marci Glover – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes and Mitch Bennett – yes. Motion Carried. A copy of Board Policy 6:60 has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

Mr. Johnson commented on the following:

- Graduation date: May 14, 2022, 4:00 P.M. at Tabor Field
- Appellate Court-mask TRO guidance
- Student attendance update

7. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Employment of Personnel Marci Glover made a motion to employ Aaron Lewis as a teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to employ Lucas Roberts as a teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Rob Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Marci Glover made a motion to employ Amy Jones as a teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mitch Bennett made a motion to employ Tyler Chance as a teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to employ Kaitlyn Crawford as a teacher's aide for the 2021-22 school year. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Marci Glover made a motion to employ Stephanie Wilson as a teacher's aide for the 2021-22 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.2 Assignment of Personnel Kenny Irvin made a motion to assign Josh Kinsman as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2021-22 school year. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to assign Jason Tieffel as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2021-22 school year. Mark Dyel seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to assign Justin Head as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2021-22 school year. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to assign Rich Hill as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2021-22 school year. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.3 Review/Approve Rice Sullivan, LLC Financial Audit Contract Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve the contract with Rice Sullivan, LLC as presented. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this contract has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

9.4 Review/Approve 2021-2022 Amended School Calendar Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the amended 2021-22 School Calendar as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this calendar has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

9.5 Review/Approve Proposal to Replace Two Unit Ventilators in the Library Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the proposal to replace the two unit-ventilators in the library as presented. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.6 Review/Approve Proposal to Replace Insulated Panels in RHG Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the proposal to replace the insulated panels in RHG as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.7 Review/Accept Bids to Replace Bleachers in RHG Kenny Irvin made a motion to reject all bids. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.8 Review/Amend Return to Learning Plan for 21-22 SY Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the amended Return to Learning Plan as presented. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members voted as follows: Marci Glover – yes, Kenny Irvin – no, Robin LaBuwi – yes, Mitch Bennett – yes, Robby Cockrum – yes, and Mark Dyel – yes. Motion carried.

Mitch Bennett exited the meeting at 6:44 P.M.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS Mark Dyel requested clarification on the approval process for retiring athletic jerseys and numbers.

11. ADJOURNMENT Kenny Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 P.M. Marci Glover seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY